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Brazilian Delegation to CISM



INVITATION FILE

1st CISM World Military Sitting Volleyball Championship



November 9th to 18th, 2026
Curitiba – Brazil

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“Friendship Through Sport”



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To: See Distribution List
Subject: 1st CISM World Military Sitting Volleyball Championship
Date: May 2026

As the Chief of the Brazilian Delegation to CISM, I have the honor to invite a mission representing your country to participate in the 1st CISM World Military Sitting Volleyball Championship, which will take place in Curitiba – Brazil from 9th to 18th November 2026. This invitation includes all necessary administrative details, schedules and deadlines. It is our sincere wish that your delegation shall participate in this exciting event. We hope for your participation and look forward to welcoming you in Curitiba.

FRIENDSHIP THROUGH SPORT!

Sincerely,

**Major General (Air Force) Alexandre de Carvalho Ribeiro
Chief of Brazilian Delegation to CISM**

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Distribution List

All CISM member nations are warmly invited and strongly encouraged to participate in this World Championship.

- 1. President of CISM.**
- 2. Official CISM Representative.**
- 3. All Continental Vice-Presidents.**
- 4. CISM Secretary General.**
- 5. All Chief(s) of Liaison Office(s).**
- 6. President and Members of CISM Sport Committee.**
- 7. Representatives of the CISM Partners and Sponsors.**
- 8. To the Chiefs of Delegation of the CISM Member Countries**



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A. Right to participate in the 1st CISM World Military Sitting Volleyball Championship.

Only CISM active member nations have the right to participate in the 1st CISM World Military Sitting Volleyball Championship.

An inactive nation, intending to take part in the event must pay its annual fee right after the deadline of the Preliminary Agreement of the World Military Championship for sending the Final Entry. If it is not done, the Delegation will not be able to take part in the event.

B. General Program of the Championship

DATE	ACTIVITY
Monday, 09NOV2026	• Arrival of Participants • Accreditation
Tuesday, 10NOV2026	• Training • Technical Meeting • Opening Ceremony
Wednesday, 11NOV2026	• Competitions
Thursday, 12NOV2026	• Competitions
Friday, 13NOV2026	• Competitions
Saturday, 14NOV2026	• Competitions
Sunday, 15NOV2026	• Competitions (Semi-final and Play-off for 3rd place)
Monday, 16NOV2026	• Competitions – Final • Closing Ceremony, Gala Dinner & Gift Exchange
Tuesday, 17NOV2026	• Cultural Day
Wednesday, 18NOV2026	• Departure of Delegations

Note: The final program must be delivered to all participants upon the Technical Meeting.

C. Composition of the Mission

Staff of the Mission	Team
Chief of Mission	1
Team Captain	1
Trainer / Coach	1
Medical Staff (optional)	1
CSC Member	1
Male / Female competitors (including mixed teams)	10
Total	15

- I. List the composition of the mission according to the latest version of CISM Regulations for Sitting Volleyball.
- II. No additional member(s) may be included in the mission without prior approval of the Organizing Committee.
- III. Members of the CISM Sports Committee – Volleyball are authorized to integrate the



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delegations of their countries and will not count towards the composition of their nation's mission.

IV. Only military personnel may participate in the competition.

D. Access to the Location of the Competition

1. Teams shall arrive at: Afonso Pena International Airport – **CWB** (<https://www.aeroporto.curitiba.net/en/>)
2. Brazilian Delegation to CISM will provide representatives on CWB Airport to welcome delegations and leave to official hotel or barrack.
3. All delegations are requested to arrange the CWB Airport (Afonso Pena International Airport) for arrival and departure.
4. The competition will take place in SESC-PR, located in Rua Visconde do Rio Branco, 969 - Mercês, Curitiba - PR.
5. The travel cost to the host country and respective return will occur under the responsibility of the participating missions/country.
6. The organizer will ensure the transportation from the place of arrival in Curitiba, Brazil, to the place of stay and the transport during the competitions as well.
7. The Organizing Committee will provide official transportation from 9th to 18th November 2026.
8. In case of using other type of transportation, for instance, Military Aircrafts or land transportation, the delegations must inform the Brazilian Delegation to CISM, in order to make the necessary arrangements.
9. We kindly ask you to inform us about your other specific needs.

E. Conditions of Stay

1. During the stay in Brazil, missions will be guests of the Brazilian Defense Ministry. Boarding and lodging will be provided by the host to all participants during their stay in Brazil from 9th to 18th November 2026. Mission members will be accommodated in hotels, according to the budget that will be defined with opportunity.
2. During the 1st CISM World Military Sitting Volleyball Championship, the Organizing Committee will provide a local transport, food & beverage and accommodation free of charge to the participants.
3. Extra expenses including telephone calls, laundry, food and drinks must be paid by the consumers.
4. Additional people will not be accepted without official written permission of the Organizers.



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5. Missions arriving before 9th November 2026 and departing after 18th November 2026 will be responsible for all expenses incurred in the period out of competition and has to be accommodated in a normal external hotel.
6. CISM Officials such as the Official CISM Representative (OCR), PCSC, CSC (Volleyball members) and other authorized representatives are allowed to arrive on 6th November 2026, with no costs.
7. In accordance with the Statutes and traditions of CISM, any political or any religious action during the competition, in particular the dissemination of propaganda, documents, pictures, clothing, brochures, reviews etc, is strictly forbidden. Any contravention will result in immediate exclusion of such nation.
8. Medical emergencies (first aid) will be the responsibility of the Brazilian Armed Forces. The Brazilian Armed Forces will provide Doctors for all scheduled competitions. However, will not be responsible for any advanced medical expenses, to include hospital stays, surgical procedures and/or other medical care beyond first aid. All participants must travel with their own valid HEALTH INSURANCE (please, check conditions to use in Brazil). Participants are also responsible for ensuring they have with them any specific medication or medical supplies required for the event as well.
9. In line with a recent CISM Board decision, delegations may choose accommodations outside those provided by the host nation, pending approval by the Local Organizing Committee (LOC). Delegations opting for this will be fully responsible for managing all arrangements, including transportation, logistics and associated costs. However, for security reasons, Brazilian Delegation in accordance with LOC does not recommend to stay in another hotel different the one offered by LOC.

F. Regulations of the Championship

1. Rules:
 - a. CISM Regulations (Edition January 2026);
 - b. CISM Sitting Volleyball Regulations (Edition 2026) - Annex 4;
 - c. CISM Dress Code Guidelines (Edition February 2025);
 - d. CISM Anti-Doping Regulations; and
 - e. Specific rules for this championship will be forwarded to all participating countries during the Technical Meeting.
2. Eligibility: All athletes must be military personnel in the Armed Forces of their respective nations. Participation of inactive member nations is not authorized (art.7.25 of the CISM Regulations).



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G. Anti-doping

1. Anti-Doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the CISM Regulations, CISM Anti-Doping Rules, the CISM Sitting Volleyball Regulations and all WADA rules, mainly the World Anti-Doping Code, and the International Standard for Testing and Investigations.
2. The number and type of tests, as well as the athletes to be tested shall be determined by the CISM Anti-Doping Commission. These procedures will follow the concerned CISM Test Distribution Plan (TDP).
3. In case an athlete has a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE), the Chief of Delegation should send this TUE to the CISM GS until **30 days before the Opening Ceremony**. This TUE will be submitted to the TUE Commission for analysis and further approval. TUE Application Form can be found on the CISM website.
4. All athletes have to fill out the Athlete Consent Form by themselves (template in the CISM website) and the Team Manager has to deliver it to CSC Volleyball during the Technical Meeting.
5. Below are the Organizations Accredited by WADA to carry out the tests during the Championship:

Sample Collection Authority (SCA): Brazilian Doping Control Authority (ABCD)
<https://www.gov.br/abcd/pt-br>

Accredited Laboratory: Brazilian Doping Control Laboratory (LBDC)
<https://www.ladetec.iq.ufrj.br/lbcd/>



H. Uniforms

1. Missions must bring Sports Uniforms (CISM Class C) and Militar Uniforms (CISM Class A) to participate in the championship and official events, including for Gala Dinner (art. 8.17 of the CISM Regulations and CISM Dress Code Guidelines).
2. Schedule for use of uniforms in each event will be informed later.
3. Military uniform is mandatory for the opening and closing ceremonies, as well as for official events.

I. Customs and Visa Procedures

The participating nations are responsible for acquiring necessary custom documents upon arrival in the first airport in Brazilian territory. For information on immigration and visa requirements, please contact the nearest Embassy of Brazil serving your nation.



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J. Weather Conditions

Average temperature: +18° to +25° C. Rains are possible.

K. Registration Forms Deadlines

Please note and comply with the following deadlines:

1. PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT: Annex 1 to be submitted before **5th August 2026**.
2. FINAL ENTRY: Annex 2a, 2b and 3 to be submitted not later than **2nd October 2026**. Late submissions may result in denied participation.

2.1 Brazilian Delegation will consider the order of arrival of Final Entry until reach the limit of 10 countries. This limit is due to points as capacity of provide conditions to receive all Delegations in the better way possible.

3. TRAVEL DATA: Annex 4 to be submitted not later than **16th October 2026**.

On the Final Entry form, the participating mission have to indicate a valid and operated phone number as well as an email address in case the organizing committee needs to contact them.

L. Correspondence

All correspondence concerning the championship is to be sent to:

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M. Withdrawal from Participation

Any nation that withdraws from participation in a competition for which it had sent the Final Entry (Annexes 2a, 2b, 3 and 4), shall notify the organizers at least one (1) month before the opening of the competitions with copy to the Secretary General. Any nation failing to inform the host nation will be subject to disciplinary action according to art. 1.11 and 1.12 of the CISM Regulations and will be held responsible for all related costs incurred by the Organizers.

Any nation that withdrawal out of allowed period for these situation on CISM Rules has to pay USD 200,00 per person and per day to cover organization costs of LOC.

N. Miscellaneous

1. It is mandatory that each delegation submit, along with the Final Entry, digital photos of all members of the delegation, as follows:
 - a) 3cm x 4cm photo wearing military uniform, without beret, informing country, rank (according to the TABLE OF NATIONS RANKS), name and function in



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the delegation, **ON THE FILE NAME, as this example: BRAZIL – MAJ JOSÉ SILVA – COACH.**

- b) In order to upload the photograph into special accreditation system, it must be in *.jpg, *.jpeg or *.png formats, with a maximum file size of 512 Kb and a minimum image size of 420 pixels wide by 525 pixels high.
2. Each delegation must submit, along with the Final Entry, digital copies of passports of all members of the delegation.
3. It is mandatory that each delegation submit, along with the Travel Data, **digital copies of e-tickets of all members of the delegation.**
4. We kindly request the delegations to bring one national flag size 0.75m × 1.5m.
5. Check and confirm on the Final Entry if their respective nation anthem, available on the CISM website Extranet (<http://members.milспорт.one/officialdocuments/protocol-events-guidelines>), is up to date and if it can be used in sports.
6. Currency - The local currency is the Brazilian Real (BRL).



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ANNEX 1

PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT

To be returned before: 5th August 2026

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NATION :

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:

	Officials	Athletes	CSC members	Total
Men				
Women				
Total				

- DOES YOUR DELEGATION NEED A VISA TO TRAVEL? ☐ YES ☐ NO.
IF THE ANSWER IS **YES**, START THE PROCESS IMMEDIATELY.
- DO YOUR ATHLETES NEED TUE? ☐ YES ☐ NO.
IF THE ANSWER IS **YES**, YOU CAN ALREADY START THE PROCESS.

MEANS OF TRANSPORT: _____

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF MISSION

RANK/NAME: _____

Your Contact	Rank/Name	
	Phone	
	Fax	
	E-Mail	



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ANNEX 2a

FINAL ENTRY - COMPOSITION OF THE MISSION

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NATION :

#	Function	Gender (M/F)	Rank	Name and Surname	Necessity of Assistance (Wheelchairs or other kind of support)
1.	Chief of Mission				
2.	Team Captain / Manager				
3.	Coach				
4.	Medical Staff				
5.	CSC Member				
6.	Male/Female athletes				
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					
11.					
12.					
13.					
14.					
15.					

In strict compliance with applicable **CISM Regulations – Chapter VII, Art. 7.23, I**, the undersigned Chief of Delegation, hereby officially confirm that all athletes representing my nation in the CISM event are on active duty in my nation's Armed Forces. I understand that sanctions may be imposed against my nation, my mission, my team, individual athletes, or myself for violation of this provision (**CISM Regulations Chapter I, Art. 1.12**)

Any nation that withdrawal out of allowed period for these situation on CISM Rules has to pay USD 200,00 per person and per day to cover organization costs of LOC.

- Does your delegation need a visa to travel? ☐ YES ☐ NO.
If the answer is **YES**, continue the process you already started when sending the Preliminary Agreement.
- Do your athletes need tue? ☐ YES ☐ NO.
If the answer is **YES**, start yhe process immediately.

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF DELEGATION

RANK/NAME: _____

Your Contact	Rank/Name		
	Phone		
	Fax		
	E-Mail		



ANNEX 2b

FINAL ENTRY - COMMITMENT BY THE CHIEF OF MISSION

To be returned before: 2nd October 2026

NATION:

The undersigned, Chief of Mission declare that he has read the **CISM Regulations** and moreover understood the following prescriptions:

Article 1.10. RIGHTS OF MEMBER NATIONS

A. Active member nations have the right to:

Be invited to all CISM Championships.

B. Inactive member nations have the same rights as active member nations except that:

They do not participate in any CISM event until they have met their financial obligations.

An inactive nation, intending to take part in the event must pay its annual fee before the deadline established by the Organizing Committee of the world military championship for sending the final entry. If it is not done, the delegation will not be able to take part in the event.

Article 7.22. PARTICIPATION - MILITARY STATUS

A. Only military personnel on active duty in Armed Forces may take part in competitions organized by CISM except for Para sport.

B. No one may be recalled to active duty in the Armed Forces for the purpose of participating in a CISM competition. In the case of an intermittent military service, the athletes regularly recalled may not take part in CISM competitions, under any circumstances, if more than 18 months have elapsed between this recall and the end of their last call to arms except for Para sport.

C. Veteran soldiers wounded or injured while on active duty may be included as part of a nation's mission and participate in CISM Para sport competition/event.

D. Exceptions to the above may be authorized by the General Assembly, upon recommendation of the Board of Directors.

E. All military participants in a CISM event shall be in possession of proper documentation which signifies active military service of the member nation he represents. The documentation can be:

1. a valid military identity card for those athletes who are authorized to present their military identity cards abroad,

2. a form of verification (in English and/or French) of military status accompanied by a passport.

3. For the Veteran para-athletes, the Chief of Delegation concerned must certify in writing that the veteran soldier was wounded or injured on active duty.



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F. By signing the final entry, the Chief of Delegation confirms the military status of the participating athletes. If there are last-minute changes in the participation of the athletes, the verification file may be signed by the Chief of Mission, but shall be confirmed by the Chief of Delegation by official letter.

G. If one of these documents is not available, participation is refused.

H. An athlete who has represented one country in CISM competitions (World Military Championship, World Games, World Winter Games, continental and regional championship), in the Olympic Games, or in any competition at world, continental or regional level recognized by the relevant IF, and who has changed his/her nationality or acquired a new nationality, may participate in CISM competitions representing his/her new country provided that at least two years have passed since the competitor last represented his/her former country.

Article 7.31. CHIEF OF MISSION

A. Chief of Mission

1. Chiefs of Mission shall be familiar with CISM regulations.
2. Missions must not only participate or be present at sports events, they are also required to participate in information conferences on CISM, study days, commemorative and cultural events and ceremonies organized by the host nation.

B. Conduct of a mission

1. The Chief of Mission is responsible for the behavior of his team in sports and general discipline. He shall ensure that members of his mission respect the rules and directives prescribed by CISM and organizers of the championship. The respect of schedules is particularly important as they form the basis for the effective conduct of competitions and ceremonies.

2. The Chief of Mission shall also enforce the rules concerning behavior and dress during the ceremonies. He plays an important role in promoting the CISM spirit among his mission, a spirit represented by friendly attitude towards other missions, courtesy towards organizers and fair-play in competition.

Article 8.6. ABSENCE OF A MISSION WITHOUT NOTIFICATION

If a mission which submits a preliminary agreement and/or final entry is absent without notifying the host nation in time, a sanction will be imposed (Regulations Art. 1.12).

Nations will owe the host nation the monetary amount listed in the Invitation File, if any, when there is a late cancellation or a no-show. This amount is separate and apart from any Disciplinary Sanctions, including financial sanctions that may also be imposed under Article 1.12

Article 8.17. RULES OF STAY

A. General

1. The Chiefs of Mission are responsible for the discipline of their mission. The missions fall under the jurisdiction of the organizing nation. During events, all athletes present on the playing fields are equal before the jury, the referees and to themselves. No one may use his rank to impose his views on sports matters.



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2. Civilian members of the missions shall conform to the discipline accepted by all other participants.

B. Military uniforms

1. Unless otherwise approved by the Official CISM Representative, all participants shall wear military uniform during official ceremonies such as the opening and closing ceremonies and medal-awarding ceremonies. Individuals without proper uniform will not be allowed to participate in the championship.

2. The presentation of medals takes place, in principle, during the closing ceremony. The presentation of medals may be done in sports uniform, if for organizational reasons it is not possible to wear military uniforms. This is the case e.g. when the presentation immediately follows a championship sports event. Sports uniforms shall respect the corresponding national criteria (training suit, sports shoes, etc.) Displaying the national flag on the podium by the recipient (athlete or team) at a medal awarding ceremony is forbidden. Individuals failing to respect these prescriptions shall not receive their medal(s) during the official ceremonies.

C. Forbidden actions

1. In conformity with the statutes and traditions of CISM, any political or religious propaganda during a CISM event, in particular the dissemination of documents, pictures, brochures, reviews, etc. is strictly forbidden.

2. Any contravention shall result in the exclusion of the mission from further competition and may result in additional sanctions (Regulations Art. 1.12).

Article 8.19. ACCOMODATIONS

A. Accommodations for missions will be the best available, depending on possibilities at the disposal of organizers and based on categories of guests with reference to article 8.19.C. All Chiefs of Mission are officers and shall be treated as such with equal courtesy, regardless of rank. In case a hosting nation allows staying in other accommodations, this must be mentioned in the Invitation File, Missions that choose to stay in hotels at their own expense must inform the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) in advance in Preliminary Agreement and Final Entry. The LOC will have no obligation to provide extra logistical, financial, or transportation support for these missions and the missions still have to fulfill all their mandatory tasks.

E. All missions, including those of the host nation, shall be accommodated under the same conditions. However, the host nation can provide the possibility to choose another accommodation at own expenses. When this possibility is mentioned in the Invitation File, Missions can choose not to accept the accommodations provided by the LoC and opt for own accommodations. They must inform the LOC via Preliminary Agreement and Final Entry

I also declare that I checked national anthem on CISM website.

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF MISSION

RANK/NAME: _____



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ANNEX 3

FINAL ENTRY - TRAVEL DATA

To be returned before: 16th October 2026

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NATION :

	PLACE	DATE	FLIGHT Nr	TIME
ARRIVAL				
DEPARTURE				

It is mandatory to send e-tickets of all members of your delegation

MEANS OF TRANSPORT: _____

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF CHIEF OF MISSION

RANK/NAME: _____

Your Contact	Rank/Name	
	Phone	
	Fax	
	E-Mail	



International Military Sports Council

CISM Sports Committee VOLLEYBALL

Rules and Regulations for the 1st SITING VOLLEYBALL WMC in Brazil

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INTRODUCTION

This publication is designed to provide the aim, objectives, rules, structures and activities that should be considered and included by the Host Nation organization during the CISM SITTING VOLLEYBALL championships.

The aim of CISM is to establish permanent relationships in the fields of sport and education between the Armed Forces of the World.

The CISM's motto is "Friendship through Sport".

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

These Regulations are based on the current World Para Volley Official Sitting Volleyball Rules and are supplemented by the current CISM Regulations and CISM Volleyball Regulations.

World Para Volley Rules shall govern all technical aspects of the game unless otherwise specified in these Regulations. For the purpose of CISM Sitting Volleyball Championships, athlete classification categories have been adapted to meet the requirements of the CISM Para Sport project and the participation of military para-athletes. The classification categories applicable to CISM competitions are defined in these Regulations.

2. SPORT AUTHORITIES

Sport authorities consist of the following:

- Official CISM Representative (OCR) an OCR will be appointed by the CISM Board of Directors and selected among its members. The OCR cannot act as a Chief of Mission (CoM) at the same time. The OCR will also be the President of the antidoping commission.
- Presidents of CISM Sports Committee (PCSC) The President of the CISM Sport Committee is responsible for the technical aspects of a given sport. Refer to the CISM Regulations for information about specific PCSC roles. The PCSC is supported by a different number of CSC members. He is the president of the technical jury for the concerned sport. The PCSC cannot act as a Chief of Mission (CoM) at the same time.
- LOC.
- The SM oversees all organizational, technical and administrative matters for a given sport and coordinates closely with the PCSC.
- Technical Jury (TJ)
- The PCSC appoints the members during the preliminary/ technical meeting conducted by senior technical experts. Refer to the CISM Regulations for more information about the TJ.
- Jury of Appeal (JA)
- The OCR also serves the role as President of the JA for that sport. Refer to the CISM Regulations for more information about the JA.

The responsibilities of the Chief of Mission are established in Article 7.31 of the CISM Regulations. In particular, he/she shall ensure compliance with the points described below.

1. The Chief of Mission is responsible for the behavior of his/her team in sports and general discipline. He shall ensure that members of his/her Mission respect the rules and directives prescribed by CISM and organizers of the championship. The respect of schedules is particularly important as they form the basis for the effective conduct of competitions and ceremonies.
2. The Chief of Mission shall also enforce the rules concerning behavior and dress during the ceremonies. He plays an important role in promoting the CISM spirit among his/her mission, a spirit represented by friendly attitude towards other missions, courtesy towards organizers and fair play in competition.

3. OFFICIAL MEETINGS

A variety of official meetings are held during the WMC which are essential to sound overall organization and running the WMC. They include the following:

- Preliminary Technical meetings
- Preliminary meeting for all CoMs
- CISM Sport Committee meetings
- Anti-Doping Commission meetings
- Technical Jury (TJ) meetings
- Jury of Appeal (JA) meetings

These meetings are described in more detail in the CISM Regulations Meeting schedules and locations will be announced by the LOC.

4. PARTICIPATION

4.1 ELIGIBILITY

Participation of military para-athletes shall comply with Article 7.22 and related provisions of the current CISM Regulations.

The classification categories applicable to CISM Sitting Volleyball Championships are defined in Article 4.4 of this Regulation and in accordance with the current World Para Volley (WPV) Classification Rules.

4.2 INVITATION

Invitation procedures shall be conducted in accordance with Chapter VIII, Articles 8.1 to 8.3 of the current CISM Regulations, the key points of which are summarized below.

For World Military Championships (WMC), the Host Nation must submit the draft Invitation File to CISM nine months before the event and the final version six months before the event. The official invitation is then distributed by CISM to all member nations.

Participating nations must comply with the following deadlines:

- Preliminary Agreement: no later than 3 months before the start of the championship;
- Final Entry: no later than 1 month before the start of the championship.

Failure to meet these deadlines may release the Organizing Committee from any obligation towards the nation concerned.

For organizational, logistical or financial reasons, the Host Nation may reduce the authorized number of representatives and participants. Any such limitation shall be clearly stated in the official Invitation File and shall apply equally to all participating nations.

4.3 COMPOSITION OF A MISSION

The maximum size of the mission is:

Representative/Participants	Mixed
Chief of Mission	1
Team Manager (Team Captain)	1
Coach	1
Doctor, Trainer or Physiotherapist	1
CSC Member	1
Players ¹	10
Total	15

¹10 players (including a maximum two players classified as “minimum disability”, referring to competitors who do not have a permanent physical disability but suffer from certified PTSD or see Article 4.4).

No additional members may be included in the delegation without the specific authorization of the host country.

4.4 CLASSIFICATION

All teams will be composed of two classes of players. A maximum of two players listed in the Minimal Disability Class are authorized per team.

4.4.1 PERMANENT DISABILITY

Athletes with permanent lower and/or upper body impairment; amputees, spinal cord injury, cerebral palsy, or other permanent physical disability that has caused loss or decreased function.

4.4.2 OTHER DISABILITY

Include competitors who do not have a permanent physical disability but suffer from certified PTSD. For the purposes of these Regulations, athletes with certified PTSD shall be classified in the Minimal Disability category and shall be subject to the participation requirements applicable to that category.

5. ORGANIZATION – MANAGEMENT

5.1 TEAMS AND PARTICIPANTS

5.1.1 MINIMUM NUMBER OF TEAMS

A minimum of four (4) teams must be entered for a Sitting Volleyball competition to be conducted.

5.1.2 ATHLETE CLASSIFICATION

Participants shall be classified by classifiers recognized by World Para Volley (WPV).

5.1.3 MIXED TEAM COMPETITION

Mixed Team competitions may be organized under the authority of CISM. As this category is not included in the current World Para Volley competition program, specific participation requirements shall be defined in these Regulations, as follow:

- A Mixed Team may be composed of male and female athletes in any proportion.
- No restriction shall apply to the number of male or female athletes registered on the team roster.

5.1.4 PARTICIPANTS WITH MINIMAL DISABILITY

No more than one (1) athlete classified in the Minimal Disability category, as defined in Article 4 of these Regulations, shall be permitted on the court at any one time.

5.2 RULES

The current World Para Volley (WPV) Official Sitting Volleyball Rules shall govern all technical aspects of the game unless otherwise specified in these Regulations.

Administrative and organizational matters not specifically addressed in these Regulations shall comply with the current CISM Regulations and the current CISM Volleyball Regulations.

Official forms and competition documents shall comply with the requirements established by CISM and World Para Volley, as applicable.

5.3 AWARDS

5.3.1 MEDALS & UNIFORMS

The attribution of official medals follows CISM Regulation 8.30. Medals will be presented at the end of the competition when the national anthem of the Gold Medalist(s) is played and the national flags of the Medalists are raised.

Medals will be awarded to the first three (3) teams: First: Gold, Second: Silver, Third: Bronze.

The type of medal to be awarded depends on the number of athletes and teams competing in each discipline or event in accordance with the following table:

Type of Medal	Mixed participation	
	Athletes	Teams
Gold, Silver & Bronze	5+	5+
Gold & Silver	4	4
Gold	3	3

Awards shall be presented in accordance with the current CISM Volleyball Regulations and their associated provisions, the main elements of which are as follows:

- a medal for each player, Team Captain, coach, assistant coach, and medical attendant of the three medal-winning teams;
- a certificate of participation for all participants;
- a Most Valuable Player (MVP) trophy for both the men's and women's competitions;

Additional awards specific to CISM Sitting Volleyball may also be presented at the discretion of the Host Nation or the CISM Sports Committee.

5.3.2 FAIR PLAY CUP

To support the campaign to reduce and eliminate bad sportsmanship, violent behavior, and fouls, an overall 'Fair Play Cup' may be awarded, per CISM Regulations.

5.3.3 FRIENDSHIP THROUGH SPORT AWARD

A 'Friendship Through Sport' award will be determined through an online voting process. Per letter No. 2025-142-SG-ALL-FTS dated 03 April 2025, Article 2, "the winning team will receive a prize offered by a CISM partner, who supports the promotion and dissemination of CISM's founding values".

6. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

Facilities, playing areas, court dimensions, playing surfaces, court markings, zones, nets, posts, balls and all other technical equipment requirements shall comply with the current World Para Volley (WPV) Official Sitting Volleyball Rules.

Any additional organizational requirements established by CISM shall be communicated through the Championship Invitation File or by the CISM Sport Committee.

7. VENUES

7.1 VENUES AND EQUIPMENT

Competition and training venues, playing areas and equipment shall comply with the current World Para Volley (WPV) Official Sitting Volleyball Rules.

7.2 ACCESSIBILITY

The Host Nation shall ensure that competition and training venues provide appropriate accessibility conditions for wheelchair users and other military para-athletes. These requirements shall be reviewed by the CSC.

8. SPECIAL CISM SITTING VOLLEYBALL RULES

8.1 FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION

8.1.1 COMPETITION FORMAT AND ATHLETE CLASSIFICATION

Competition format and scheduling shall conform to the current CISM Volleyball Regulations. As an exception, sufficient time shall be allocated prior to the start of the competition for the classification of athletes.

For the purposes of CISM Sitting Volleyball Championships, and in order to encourage the participation of military para-athletes, athlete classification shall be conducted under the Permanent Disability and Minimal Disability categories as defined in Article 3 of these Regulations.

8.1.2 RANKING AND WILD CARD SYSTEM

Competition format, scheduling, participation ranking and any Wild Card system shall comply with the current CISM Volleyball Regulations.

8.2 PARTICIPATION RANKING LIST

Shall comply with CISM Volleyball Regulations.

8.3 DISCIPLINE

Disciplinary matters shall comply with the current CISM Volleyball Regulations and the current CISM Regulations.

8.4 SEEDING OF TEAMS

Shall comply with CISM Volleyball Regulations.

8.5 FORMATION OF POOLS

Shall comply with CISM Volleyball Regulations.

8.6 TRAINING CONDITIONS

Training conditions and training schedules shall comply with the current CISM Volleyball Regulations.

8.7 FORFEIT

Shall comply with CISM Volleyball Regulations paragraph.

8.8 FINAL COMPETITION STANDING

Shall comply with CISM Volleyball Regulations paragraph.

8.9 INTERNATIONAL REFEREES, SCORES AND LINE JUDGES

The selection, appointment, administration and duties of referees, scorers and line judges shall comply with current CISM Volleyball Regulations and, where applicable, the current World ParaVolley Official Sitting Volleyball Rules.

8.10 TEAM COLORS

Shall comply with CISM Volleyball Regulations.

9. ANTI-DOPING

Doping tests are mandatory for all WMC. According to CISM anti-doping rules, the OCR will establish a dedicated Anti-Doping Commission to manage anti-doping on-site.

Doping tests will be carried out strictly in line with CISM's Anti-Doping Regulations and WADA's World Anti-Doping Code. The number of tests to be conducted per sport will be determined based on the CISM Test Distribution Plan (TDP) procedures as defined in the CISM Anti-Doping Rules. All anti-doping expenses will be paid by the LOC.

Any athlete who takes part in the Championship shall be aware of the very latest version of the WADA World Anti-Doping Code and its related list of prohibited substances. Details may be found on the WADA homepage: <http://www.wada-ama.org>. Any athlete who has received a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) and is called for an anti-doping test, shall provide a copy of the TUE to the official responsible for conducting the test.

10. TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

10.1 DESIGNATION

The organizing country designates the Technical Director.

10.2 FUNCTIONS

- Help the Organizing Committee resolve the technical problems.
- Takes part in the Technical Jury.
- Advise the Official CISM Representative in all the technical tasks such as:
 - preparatory conference;
 - jury of appeals, etc.

- Assure:
 - the strict application of all specific regulations;
 - support in the formation of the different committees and jury.

11. TECHNICAL JURY AND JURY OF APPEAL

The two juries will act following the rules contained in these regulations.

11.1 TECHNICAL JURY

Shall comply with CISM Regulations.

11.2 JURY OF APPEALS

Shall comply with CISM Regulations.

12. PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING PROTESTS:

When a Chief of Mission (or a Team Captain) considers that the technical jury's decision has not rendered justice to his/her protest, he can submit a protest against the decision of the Technical Jury in writing to the Jury of Appeal.

This appeal shall be submitted to the President of the Jury of Appeal within two hours after the written notification of the rejection by the technical jury.

The Jury of Appeal rules as a last resort. Its decision does not depend on any precedent and is final.

All decisions taken by the Jury of Appeal are transmitted in writing to the organizing committee for dispatch and to the General Secretariat for information.

The Chief of Mission will, in all cases, accept the decision made by the Jury of Appeal and will not set and tolerate unpleasant reactions towards the judges and referees, or towards the host nation.

If no prior deposit has been made to the Technical Jury, then a deposit of Euros 100 shall be made to the Jury of Appeal. If a protest is denied by the Jury of Appeal, the deposit will be forfeited and paid to the General Secretariat.

Complaints: all complaints may be referred to the Board of Directors and, if necessary, to the General Assembly. A complaint cannot reverse a final decision of the Jury of Appeal.